

Dead Week Survey Students Still Favor Reinstatement Of Policy

By Kris Messick

Some 97% of SSC Students favor the reinstatement for the "Dead Week" policy according to a recently conducted survey concerning the policy which prevented instructors from giving major exams during the fourteenth week of classes to give students time to prepare for finals. The survey was conducted by the SGA.

The policy was struck down last December at a Faculty Conference meeting by a majority vote of faculty members in

attendance.

The questionnaire was presented to a random sample of 100 students. SGA President Tim Ragan said the organization decided to conduct the survey after a number of students complained of professors giving major tests in the last week before finals.

The results showed that 41% of SSC students were not aware that major tests can be given on the last day of classes followed by a final exam in the same class the next day. (This situation is possible during the Fall semester when classes end on

Tuesday and final exam week begins on Wednesday.)

93 students said they were in favor of the policy being reinstated.

The following are some student comments returned with the survey:

"Not enough time is given to prepare for comprehensive finals."

"... I feel all students need time to prepare for exams and without this the whole test seems ridiculous to take."

"... considering that we are faced with many finals in the time span of a week, I feel it only right that the last week of

classes be free of major exams to... allow for early preparation for finals exams."

"It is the responsibility of the administration to provide the best possible learning environment for the student."

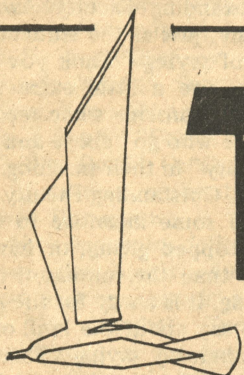
New Math Center Opens In Fall

A Math Center will begin operation next Fall, joining such other campus self-help centers as the Reading and Writing Centers. The new center is being established by the department of mathematical sciences in cooperation with the Instructional Resources Center and will be located in rm. 242 Devilbiss Science Hall.

David L. Parker, assistant professor of mathematics said, "The center will provide three major services, diagnosis, scoring and placement; development and remediation; and help sessions for students taking particular courses."

The diagnosis, scoring and placement service will help students to quickly determine how prepared they are for math

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Return Four Incumbents To SGA Exec. Board

Some 700 students voted in the SGA elections last week, re-electing four members of this year's executive council to another term.

SGA President Tim Ragan was the only presidential candidate on the ballot, although junior Roger Lavy ran a write-in campaign. Lavy submitted his nomination for SGA President after nominations had closed and was refused a place on the ballot. His write-in campaign won him 24 votes. Ragan received 538 votes.

This is the first time in the history of SSC that an SGA president has been re-elected for a second term.

Ragan said, "This year it took us almost the entire first semester to find out what we can and can't do. Next year we'll all have the experience to be able to get good programs started right away."

He said areas of concern for the SGA next year include the possibility of getting a permanent beer license, improving student involvement in the academic policy-making of the college and improving the budgeting process.

"We will use the same system we used last year to allocate the student money, including the open budget hearings in August," he said. "There'll be some improvements though because we've learned a lot from experience."

He said there were many programs started this year that he would like to continue working with next year, bringing about his decision to run for reelection.

Junior Dave Bollinger, who was this year's student representative to the Board of Visitors, was elected vice-president of the new SGA executive council. Bollinger received 613 votes. He also ran unopposed. This year's treasurer Lynn Campbell ran unopposed for a second term and received 590 votes.

Commenting on her decision to run again, Campbell said, "I know there are a lot of hassles involved, but I really enjoy the job."

She said that when she first began working for the SGA as assistant treasurer there was no real bookkeeping system used. "A lot of times bills weren't getting paid on time, they would just sit on the desk," she said. "In the past year we've set up a really good system that works well. By the time I leave next year, there will be an established system for the next person."

Incumbent communications advisory

board chairman Joe Norton was re-elected also. Norton who ran unopposed received 680 votes.

He said, "Because of the qualifications of the job, there is a limited supply of people who are capable of doing it." To run for CAB chairman, a student must have one year's experience with the *Flyer*, yearbook, Scarab or radio station.

"Only a small percentage of the people with the experience have a good knowledge of all the other campus media," Norton said. "The job is important because it deals with four of the five major SGA organizations."

Norton said his main concern as CAB chairman next year will be to supervise extensive recruitment in the four communications media on campus. "We need to assure a pool of capable manpower to continue after the present leaders are gone," he said.

The newly elected chairman of the college center program board is Sherrie Pierce who was the CCPB's publicity director this year. She ran unopposed and received 546 votes.

Pierce said, "Next year will be a decision year. We will have to make some definite decisions about whether we can serve beer at CCPB events without having problems and what type of programming we really want to have."

She said she felt the opening of the college center will be a big help to the programming board. "It will make it 100% easier for the board, and 150% easier for the students," she said. "We'll be able to concentrate our publicity in the college center and we can experiment with day-time programming in a place where most students are spending time."

Pierce said she expected the CCPB to be given as much money next year as this

year but was hoping for more. "If the Student Activity Fee is raised, it's possible we could get a little more money and with it we could really help programming a lot." She said she expected the increase to pass because the fee hasn't been raised since 1966.

Tony Zei was elected chairman of the Rules Committee, receiving 368 votes to Barb Wagner's 302. Zei said his goal for next year is to try to bring about greater student participation at the General Board meetings.

"As parliamentarian I would like to see the system be improved to make it easier for students to bring their ideas to the Board meetings," he said.

Zei would also like to see all commuter and campus representatives serving on standing SGA committees, or waiting to serve on whatever temporary committees come up.

"This would greatly improve the efficiency of the SGA and would help the Executive Council in meeting their objectives," he said.

The only incumbent member of the SGA executive council who was not re-elected was Academic Affairs Chairman Jerry Fields. Barb Adams, a member of the academic affairs committee this year will take over that job. Adams received a total of 372 votes to Field's 244.

Adams said her first concern will be to get a lot of students involved with the academic affairs committee. "The college Academic Council is doing some really revolutionary things now, they're changing a lot of school policies," she said. "I think it's very important for the students to have someone in there who knows what they think."

She would like to see the students surveyed on their opinions about vital academic issues, and she intends to work on the possibility of reinstating the Dead Week policy.

"The Dead Week policy will be brought up again," Adams said. "The faculty council didn't act on what the Academic Council sent them and that can't be overlooked."

Adams said she feels that faculty members of the council do listen to student opinion. "The other members are just great," she said. "They always ask our

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It's Been A Long Year!



As the year grinds to a finish, the *Flyer* staff would like to take this opportunity to wish the graduating seniors bright futures, and success in all you attempt. To those of you who will be back next year, we wish a safe and happy summer. See you in September.

Letters to the editor

RHA Election Questioned

Dear Editor:

I wish to express my concern with the way the Residence Hall Association elections were conducted. They were rushed, unorganized, and there is a question as to their legality.

Firstly, the RHA elections were rushed in order to coincide with the SGA elections. They were not, in my opinion, adequately publicized. I believe this observation can be backed by the small number of people nominated for officers, all of which had some connection with the RHA. My point is only the people already in the RHA really knew about the elec-

tions.

Secondly, the disorganization involved was characteristic of the way the entire Association was run all year. People who wanted to run never got the chance, due to the lack of publicity, and at least one of those who did run was never officially nominated. Yet his name appeared on the ballot. How can the RHA call this legal?

Thirdly, when the incumbent President is allowed to run-off the ballots, and collect the ballots, even the most trustworthy person may sometimes falter. Also, there is a question as to what happened to one dorm's ballots (Chesapeake).

Finally, I wish to end this letter by calling for this election to be declared invalid and a new one held. With the facts I provided above, I think this request is justified.

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Convocation

Dear Editor,

Today I attended the Honors Convocation in the auditorium of SSC. It was a lovely program; I was proud of the students honored. The College Choir had prepared, with much work, a selection to conclude this special program.

However I was embarrassed for the audience. They got up and walked out right in the middle of the song. Those who did stay could not hear it they wanted to because of the confusion and the talking. I felt sorry for our students who tried to add to the day—and sorry for the sorry for the audience who were so rude.

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and science courses, he said.

"We will be able to tell a student before he takes a course whether has the math skills to successfully complete the course," Parker said.

The development and remediation segment will help a student to develop the skills he needs to take any course from basic arithmetic to all college level math and science courses, he said. "This will involve individually-paced self-instruction," Parker said.

A third service the center will provide will be tutoring sessions for students enrolled in various math and science courses. "This will help students who have trouble understanding a particular concept, or problems being taught in a course," he said. "Students will have an option be-

sides dropping out of a course when they get stuck."

Parker said the center is established because of cooperation from the Instructional Resources Center, who have donated the space for the center. "It would be impossible without them," he said.

The funds for the center were made available through the office of academic counseling, he said. "We will have almost \$1000 worth of equipment to work with thanks to Carol Bosserman who was able to get some state aid for us," Parker said.

Donald C. Cathcart, assistant professor of Mathematics, is the organizational director of the Math Center and he will be working on planning the program during the summer. It has been determined who will be in charge of the center when it begins operation in next semester.

EDITORIALS



A Place For Awards

Many awards were given at the Honors Convocation last Tuesday, some truly deserved, some merely symbolic. There is a tradition involved in the giving of many of these awards and for that reason many students feel they are not relevant, or are a waste of money. We disagree.

While the majority of people in our campus community are apathetic, and uninvolved, there are those who go out of their way to do something for the rest. These people get little or no extra reward. They certainly deserve a little recognition once a year. They are relevant in the sense that they provide a way for the community to express a little gratitude. And they are important as well if they provide a little incentive to other students to get involved with school activities.

Along the same lines, some students have complained about the use of their activity fee money to give awards to outstanding faculty members. The complaint goes something like: "They get paid. What do we have to give them more money for?"

Well the fact is, all faculty members

get paid, good and bad. A paycheck provides no extra reward for those who go out of their way to really teach, to get involved with the school or to be available to their students.

The Outstanding Faculty Awards do this. They are, just as the student awards are, a way of saying "thank you" to the people who give a little extra to their teaching. They provide some recognition to the people who go "above and beyond the call of duty" in their teaching.

Moreover, Outstanding Faculty Awards may provide some incentive to teachers who have stopped giving, or have never given, more than the minimum input to their teaching. It is a way for the students to get some say about the kind of education we get here by saying "This is what we like," or "This is what we find the most beneficial to us."

For all of this, it costs each student less than one cent per year to give a \$150 grant to each of two outstanding faculty members. It's a small price to pay for so much.

Ms.ing Something?

While we're on the subject of awards, we'd like to see some changes in the Mr. and Miss SSC award. It's a good idea to recognize a male and female student who have given much time and energy in their years at SSC to the improvement of the school. And while it can, and sometimes does, turn into a popularity contest, most of the time the winning students are truly deserving of the honor.

We have no quarrel with the award itself, just what they call it. We would like to see the name changed to Mr. and Ms. SSC.

All of the women involved in school affairs are not single. With the many older women coming back to school, many of whom do become involved with student organizations, it seems unjust to exclude

them from the possibility of receiving this award. Certainly the title Mr. does not exclude any man on campus.

Perhaps more importantly, the title Ms. has gained acceptance among many competent and professional women because it allows them to be judged totally on their own accomplishments, not on whether they are married or single. Many of the offices on the college have begun using Ms. exclusively. Why do we not extend this right to the students? Is it because people think the students are too apathetic to care?

Many do care, from what *The Flyer* can see. We would like to see some of those people get working on changing it. It's not a burning issue, but we have to start somewhere.



Marshall Tucker Band: *Carolina Dreams*, featuring Toy Caldwell (lead vocals, acoustic, and steel guitars), Tommy Caldwell (bass, tambourine, and harmony vocals), Doug Gray (lead and harmony vocals), George McCorkle (electric, twelve string, and acoustic guitars), Jerry Eubanks (saxes, flute, and harmony vocals), and Paul Riddle (drums). Songs include: "I Should Have Never Stopped Loving You", "Life In A Song", "Desert Skies", and "Tell It To The Devil". On *Capricorn* records.

I am now, without a doubt, convinced that Homegrown is "In", where it's at, what's happening folks! Everybody knows that urban equals pollution, overcrowding, and frequent terrorist actions.

The Marshall Tucker Band offers an alternative to the impersonal, steel-cold, electrical shock that a great many rock bands are presently pushing on us, the innocent populace.

A true-to-life down-home spirit, pleasant harmonizing, and lots of talent make up the Marshall Tucker Band, the tops of homegrown country rock. They have no need of makeup, six inch platforms, and/or garrish, often offensive costumes to make their entourage a smokin' success from the word "go".

"I Should Have Never Stopped Loving You" is a splendid tune a natural with the spring weather, warm temperatures and your sweetie by your side. The lyrics of the MTB are constantly improving, with

great music to boot.

Chuck Leavell, pianist for Sea Level, the core of the Allman Bros. Band minus Gregg, is a guest musician on the cut, "Life In A Song," a truly fantastic song. Charlie Daniels also added his excellent fiddling skills to Toy Caldwell's melody "Desert Skies."

Carolina Dreams was produced by

Paul Hornsby, who also provided the piano and organ accompaniment on the entire album.

All of these songs can and will be heard on "The Homegrown Show", Wednesdays at 5 p.m. on WSSC, 107.5 CAFM, 73 a.m. on campus with your hostess—me. See ya next semester!



The Admirals will appear at Spring Formal Saturday 9 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center. Tickets are \$3 per couple and are available at the college center office.

Flicks Line-up For Next Year

The following movies have been scheduled to be shown as Friday Flicks in the 1977-78 academic year. Four will be shown in the Spring semester and the others will be run in the Fall. They are not in the order in which they will be shown.

1. The Omen; Gregory Peck, Lee Remick
2. Young Frankenstein; Mel Brooks
3. Mother, Jugs and Speed; Raquel Welch, Bill Cosby
4. Norman, Is That You? Red Foxx, Pearl Bailey
5. The Bad New Bears; Walter Matthau, Tatum O'Neal
6. Marathon Man; Dustin Hoffman, Laurence Olivier
7. Dog Day Afternoon; Al Pacino
8. All The President's Men; Dustin Hoffman, Robert Redford
9. The Outlaw Josey Wales; Clint Eastwood
10. Let's Do It Again; Bill Cosby, Sidney Poitier, J. J. Walker
11. Freebie and The Bean; James Cann, Alan Arkin, Valerie Harper
12. Ode To Billy Joe; Robby Benson, Glynnis O'Connor
13. Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore; Ellen Burstyn, Kris Kristofferson
14. The Towering Inferno; Steve McQueen, Paul Newman
15. Car Wash; George Carlin, Richard Pryor
16. Earthquake; Charlton Heston, George Kennedy
17. Murder By Death; Peter Sellers, Nancy Walker, Peter Falk
18. Taxi Driver; Robert DeNiro, Cybill Shepherd
19. The Hindenburg; George C. Scott, Anne Bancroft
20. The Front; Woody Allen

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SPORTS



SSC Tennis Team

Win Today Clinches First Place

SSC's Men's Tennis team has already earned at least a tie for first place in the Mason-Dixon Conference and will take the top spot with a win today against the University of Baltimore.

Coach Dean Burroughs is confident the team will win and expects them to go on and take their third straight Conference Tournament championship at Towson May 6-8.

Burroughs said, "The team is undefeated in the conference with a 17-5 overall record. Considering that we've played a number of top college teams, that's pretty good."

Since the team will no longer be in the Mason-Dixon Conference after this year, a win in the conference and tournament is especially important to them.

Burroughs said, "No one has ever retired from the conference undefeated before. We'd like to do it."

He said the team will be independent next year.

The number one player on this year's team is Larry Knopf, a sophomore. He is 12-10 for the season.

"His record is excellent when you consider who he's been playing, the best players on all the other teams," Burroughs said. "He's having an outstanding season." Knopf was the number three player on last year's team.

Chris Thomas, a junior, is ranked number two on the team and has a record of 9-13. "This is Chris's first year in varsity competition," Burroughs said, "so he's doing very well."

Bill Hyle, a senior from Salisbury and team captain, is ranked three on the team but he will be seeded number one in the tournament because he is undefeated in the conference. Two other team members, number three player Terry Layton (15-4) and number four player Wray Cannaday (11-3), are also undefeated in the conference and will be seeded second and third in the conference tournament.

The number six player is Brian Edmondson, a junior, who has a season record of 10-8. "These six will represent us in the tournament," Burroughs said, "and I expect them to do very well for us."

Four other players have provided extra depth for the team this year. They are Kirk Miller, Carl Urian, Steve Morris, and Galen Anderson. "They have filled in when they were needed and done very well for first-year men," Burroughs said. "They are getting some valuable experience."

SSC's tennis team sports three doubles teams as well. Burroughs said, "We've won five matches this year simply because of good doubles playing." He said the doubles teams have been a tremendous help in keeping the team in the running.

The number one doubles team is Larry Knopf and Wray Cannaday. "We're counting on a lot of points from them," the coach said. "I think they're the best in the tournament."

The number two doubles team is Terry Layton and Brian Edmondson who are doing very well, according to Burroughs.

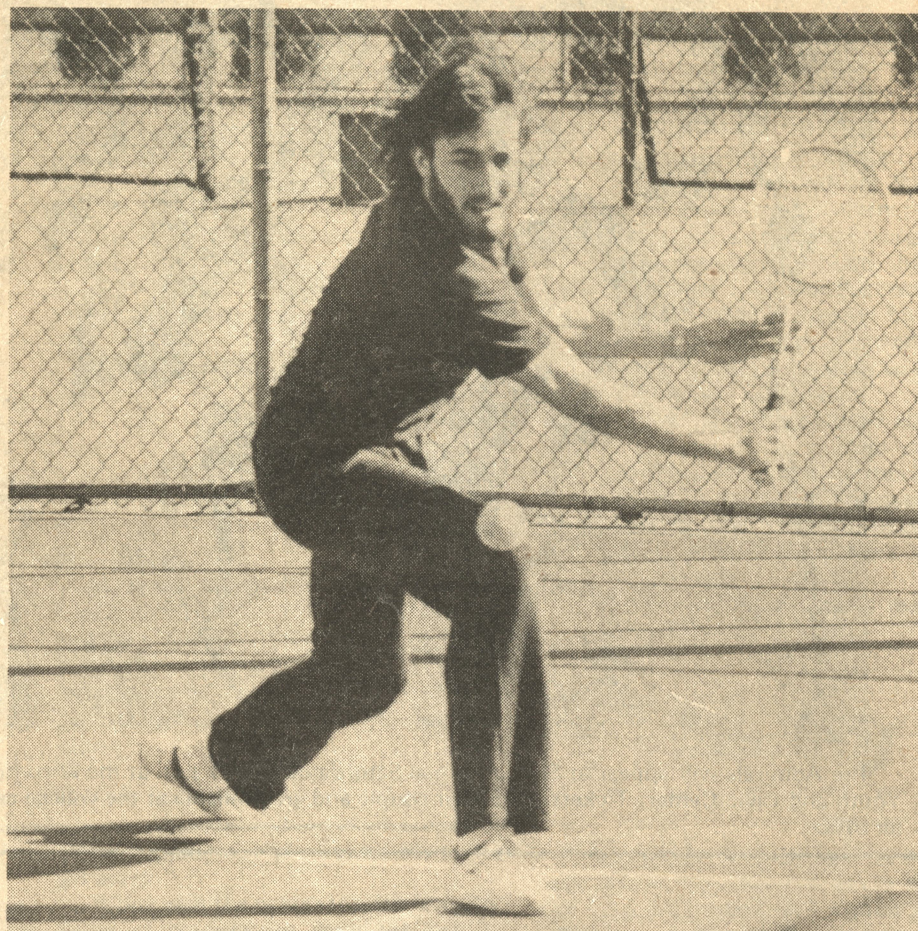
"They won an outstanding match against Old Dominion University," Burroughs said. "We can expect a lot of points from them in the tournament."

The third doubles team is Bill Hyle and Gene Malone who have lost only three matches all season. "All three of their losses were in three sets," Burroughs said. "This team could easily have been undefeated all season."

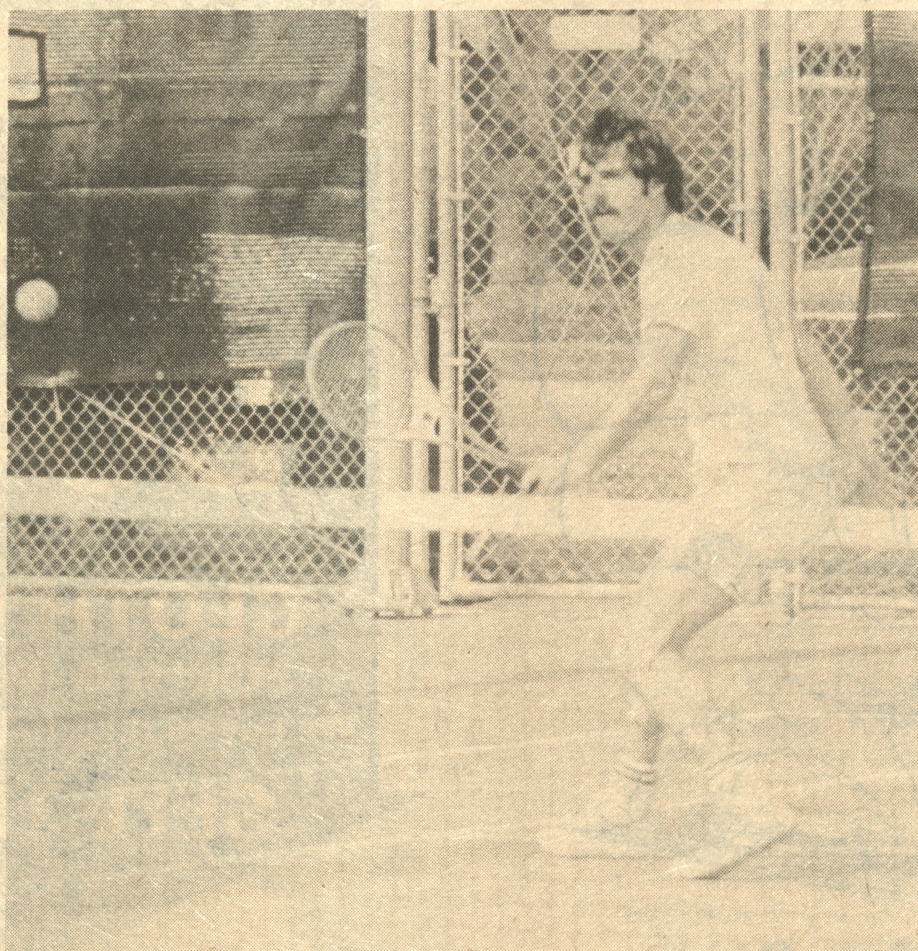
Burroughs said he is very pleased with

the team's success this year, especially since they will be retiring from the Mason-Dixon Conference. "To stay in the conference you have to be in Division II, and

we're in Division III," he said. "That's why they're kicking us out. I'd really like to see us go out undefeated."



Number one seeded Larry Knopf shows the form that has earned him the top seed on the SSC Tennis team. Currently, Knopf is sporting a 12-10 record for the season.



Pressed to the outer extremes of the court, Bill Hyle unleashes a backhand. Hyle, a native of Salisbury is captain of the squad and undefeated in conference play.

Gulls Head For Play-offs

After severely thrashing Morgan State 24-11, the SSC lacrosse team marched to the University of Baltimore. The Gulls went into the match as the underdogs but came out victorious. Both teams needed a win to capture a playoff slot. Throughout the season the Gulls were expected to lose against such powers as University of Delaware and Baltimore. But in a true Cinderella fashion, the Gulls have united to win in key games.

The Gulls stepped on the field of Baltimore at 2 p.m. and didn't come off until they thoroughly defeated Baltimore, 22-4. SSC was led by Dave Cottle with 11 goals and three assists. Cottle made his scoring debut with two goals in the first period, four goals in the second and five in the third period. Alas, in the all-American tradition, Cottle sat out in the fourth period. Marc Hoffman also helped lead the scoring barrage with two goals and four assists. The victory gave Salisbury their sixth win in a row and a shot at the post-season playoffs. Monday, April 25, the Gulls were rated eighth in Division II.

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opinion and I think they really listen to us."

Dave Bollinger ran unopposed for vice-president, receiving a total of 613 votes.

Bollinger said, "I would really like to see more student input and participation in the SGA next year than we had this year."

He said he would like to see all students invited to attend the general board meetings. "If people would come to the meetings to voice their opinions and views, find out what's really going on instead of hearing it from someone else, they'd make it easier for themselves and us," he said.

Bollinger said he would like to see a special effort to get freshmen involved with the SGA. "Once it gets in your blood, you usually stick with it but if you don't get involved in the beginning you're less likely to ever get into it," he said.

Lesli Gould won a close race for secretary. She said, "I'd like to see more people work with the SGA next year." Gould is a freshman and this is her first involvement with the SGA. She said, "Working with the other board members will be a real learning experience for me."

The new student representative on the Board of Visitors is Margie Webb who beat Bob Storer, 366 votes to 315. This is Webb's first involvement with the SGA.

She said, "I'll have to wait until I go to the first meeting to find out exactly what I'm going to be working on, but I know I'd like to see some kind of organization for commuters on campus."

She said she decided to run for the Board of Visitors post because she wants to have a voice in what goes on in the student government. "My impression of the job is that I'll have to be aware of how the students feel and be able to transfer that to the Board of Visitors," she said. "I intend to try to do that."

16 students were elected commuter representatives. They are: Mike Parks, Mike Seidel, Glenda Van Reenan, Jeff Noble, Kristi Elliott, Patti Boyce Bradley, Brett W. Wilson, Mike Knecht, Mike Hartmann, Bill Martin, Leslie LaMar, Michael Gleason, Steve Codignotto, John O. Payne and Tom Bradley.

16 students competed for the 12 positions of campus representatives. Winners were: Rebecca Bandiere, Steve Bock, Albert Booth, Stacia Cochran, Carolyn Colley, Bonnie Downs, Marty Huntman, Joe Long, Kathy Main, Norman Monteau, Alan Ragan and Laura Weber.